



Crop Progress and Condition

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Crops Entered Dormancy in Idaho with Cool Temperatures

There were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Pasture and range conditions were 4% very poor, 40% poor, 35% fair, 20% good, and 1% excellent. A low temperature of -4 degrees Fahrenheit was reported in the eastern region. A high temperature of 57 degrees Fahrenheit was reported in the southcentral region. The statewide temperature differential ranged from 1 to 13 degrees below average. Temperatures remained cold in Idaho. All measurable growth in northern Idaho halted due to hard freezing temperatures. Crops were entering winter dormancy. On the other end of the state, Power County reported that weather was warm and dry. Southwestern Idaho received minimal precipitation in a few counties.

Oregon Waited for the Rainy Season to Start

There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Pasture and range conditions were 43% very poor, 23% poor, 23% fair, and 11% good. A low temperature was reported at 2 degrees Fahrenheit in the south central region of Oregon, and a high temperature was reported at 67 degrees Fahrenheit along the southern coast. The statewide temperature differential ranged from 7 degrees below to 3 degrees above average. Pasture and range conditions remained little changed statewide. The fall weather was beautiful, but the state needed rain to recharge soil moisture. Harvest finished and shop work took the forefront. Cool nights and sunny days were good for winter grain growth and emergence in the northern coastal region and Willamette Valley. Good weather also allowed winter preparation for nurseries to continue. In southwestern Oregon, both Coos and Curry Counties remained at drought level D3. Spring and stream flows remained at extremely low levels, and lots of water hauling took place throughout the area for both livestock and domestic use. Producers waited for rain to help recharge this region's extremely dry subsoil that saw little rain over the past seven months. Most fall seeded crops had established good stands in southwestern Oregon, but had not made much growth. Early winter nursery plant digging proceeded quickly. In south central and southeastern Oregon, farmers completed fall ground work and ranchers moved their cattle to winter grounds. There were two hay barn fires this week in Crook County. Low double digit temperatures across central Oregon slowed fall soil sampling.

Western Washington Was Wet and Mild While Eastern Washington Remained Dry and Cold

There were 4.8 days suitable for field work last week. Pasture and range conditions were reported at 20% very poor, 31% poor, 24% fair, 24% good, and 1% excellent. A low temperature of 15 degrees Fahrenheit was reported in the east central region, while a high temperature of 58 degrees Fahrenheit was reported in most of Washington's regions. Statewide temperature differentials ranged from 8 degrees below average to 4 degrees above average. The fall vegetable crops on the islands in the Puget Sound and Skagit County were harvested. Some fall-planted forage crops responded with good germination and pastures rebounded with cool season grasses. Kiwifruit were harvested and put in storage to avoid frost damage. Favorable weather in Skagit County allowed farmers to sneak in some last-minute tillage. The soils in Snohomish County were too saturated to work. Some farmers were pulling squash and root crops for sale and storage. Brussel sprouts had an outstanding year. Benton County suffered from wildfire smoke, which shortened farming days. Fall canola in Douglas and Chelan Counties recovered from the early frost. Apple harvest finished. Livestock were grazing late fall pastures. Winter wheat was average quality, with south slopes bare due to lack of moisture. Dry conditions continued in Klickitat County. Some farmers were still waiting to plant winter crops until there was more moisture. Fall canola in northeastern Washington was looking good and winter wheat had mostly emerged. Lincoln County had a hard frost this week. Corn harvest conditions in Adams County were good. Harvest for other crops wrapped up. Grain on the Palouse was spotty with inconsistent moisture. All fall seeded wheat was planted.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 11/18/18

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho	4	39	57	-
Oregon	41	25	34	-
Washington.....	11	37	51	1
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho	10	42	48	-
Oregon	63	20	17	-
Washington.....	8	44	47	1

- Represents zero.

Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 11/18/18

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Winter wheat					
Idaho	-	1	33	39	27
Oregon	4	15	35	41	5
Washington.....	-	4	38	48	10

- Represents zero.

Weekly Weather Statistics — Idaho: November 12 - November 18, 2018

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation				
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days	
					Total	DFN								
NORTH														
Bonniers Ferry	22	48	34	-2	0	+0	0.00	-0.68	0	2.71	-1.64	62	22	
Coeur d' Alene	23	48	35	-3	0	+0	0.27	-0.63	1	3.39	-1.65	67	19	
Fenn	15	49	32	-5	0	+0	0.16	-1.10	1	6.78	-0.60	92	24	
Lewiston	25	54	38	-4	0	+0	0.02	-0.26	1	1.58	-0.78	67	17	
Nezperce	17	50	34	-1	0	+0	0.11	-0.33	3	2.75	-0.98	74	22	
SOUTHWEST														
Boise	19	54	34	-6	0	+0	0.01	-0.32	1	4.21	+2.11	200	30	
Emmett	14	51	32	-7	0	+0	0.00	-0.40	0	0.42	-1.88	18	3	
Glenns Ferry	13	55	34	-6	0	+0	0.00	-0.26	0	0.66	-1.29	34	4	
Grand View	10	54	31	-9	0	+0	0.00	-0.20	0	0.52	-0.82	39	3	
Nampa	19	51	34	-6	0	+0	0.01	-0.29	1	0.82	-1.15	42	14	
Parma	17	52	33	-6	0	+0	0.01	-0.24	1	0.74	-1.10	40	15	
SOUTH CENTRAL														
Fairfield	8	55	28	-2	0	+0	0.02	-0.39	1	1.80	-0.45	80	15	
Malta	8	56	28	-9	0	+0	0.13	-0.01	2	1.83	-0.33	85	25	
Picabo	10	53	30	-1	0	+0	0.01	-0.32	1	1.01	-1.40	42	11	
Rupert	14	55	31	-5	0	+0	0.08	-0.17	1	1.46	-0.31	82	18	
Twin Falls	17	57	33	-5	0	+0	0.00	-0.23	0	1.49	-0.52	74	8	
EAST														
Aberdeen	11	51	28	-5	0	+0	0.07	-0.10	1	1.25	-0.65	66	9	
Ashton	7	46	25	-6	0	+0	0.07	-0.44	2	1.81	-1.99	48	14	
Downey	3	52	27	-8	0	+0	0.00	-0.25	0	1.61	-1.70	49	24	
Fort Hall	8	52	27	-6	0	+0	0.10	-0.11	2	1.18	-0.93	56	21	
Idaho Falls	12	49	28	-5	0	+0	0.10	-0.11	2	2.42	+0.25	112	19	
Lava Hot Springs	13	49	29	-6	0	+0	0.00	-0.25	0	1.95	-1.36	59	12	
Montevieu	-1	44	21	-9	0	+0	0.13	-0.04	1	0.91	-0.76	54	9	
Rexburg	-4	44	18	-13	0	+0	0.10	-0.14	2	0.91	-1.84	33	12	

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 11/18/18

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged	93	90	96	94
Sugarbeets harvested	95	93	97	97
Field corn harvested for grain	87	75	67	79

Weekly Weather Statistics — Washington: November 12 - November 18, 2018

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation				
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days	
					Total	DFN								
WEST														
Bellingham.....	29	57	44	+1	6	+6	0.91	-0.51	4	8.53	-0.48	95	39	
Everett.....	30	56	44	-1	2	+0	0.27	-1.00	3	8.02	-0.53	94	49	
Hoquiam.....	36	58	48	+3	10	+10	0.14	-2.57	4	11.11	-4.32	72	36	
Kelso.....	28	56	43	-3	0	-2	0.11	-1.78	2	6.16	-4.32	59	32	
Olympia.....	25	55	41	-3	1	+1	0.18	-1.94	2	8.16	-3.14	72	34	
Sea-Tac.....	35	57	48	+3	6	+6	0.16	-1.45	3	5.73	-3.13	65	37	
Shelton.....	25	57	43	+0	5	+5	0.18	-2.73	1	10.67	-4.46	71	34	
Tacoma.....	35	57	46	+1	3	+3	0.00	-1.58	0	4.12	-5.33	44	30	
Vancouver.....	30	58	45	-2	0	-7	0.02	-1.34	1	4.95	-3.00	62	27	
CENTRAL														
Easton.....	26	54	39	+4	0	+0	0.16	-1.95	3	4.77	-5.82	45	28	
Ellensburg.....	20	58	36	-3	0	+0	0.00	-0.27	0	1.75	+0.04	102	16	
Omak.....	21	52	34	-3	0	+0	0.00	-0.36	0	1.23	-1.33	48	10	
Wenatchee.....	26	49	36	-4	0	+0	0.00	-0.35	0	1.47	-0.15	91	6	
Yakima AP.....	17	55	32	-5	0	+0	0.00	-0.24	0	1.08	-0.40	73	10	
NORTHEAST														
Chewelah.....	21	48	32	-1	0	+0	0.07	-0.58	2	2.77	-0.76	78	24	
Deer Park.....	16	50	31	-3	0	+0	0.00	-0.78	0	3.11	-1.41	69	24	
Kettle Falls.....	22	52	33	-3	0	+0	0.00	-0.54	0	2.89	-0.60	83	25	
Spokane.....	24	47	33	-3	0	+0	0.03	-0.52	1	2.08	-1.08	66	18	
EAST CENTRAL														
Ephrata.....	20	55	35	-3	0	+0	0.00	-0.25	0	1.05	-0.44	70	10	
George.....	15	54	31	-7	0	+0	0.00	-0.28	0	1.16	-0.38	75	10	
Lind.....	16	52	34	-5	0	+0	0.01	-0.32	1	0.83	-1.20	41	10	
Moses Lake.....	19	55	31	-7	0	+0	0.00	-0.27	0	1.01	-0.72	58	12	
Ritzville.....	17	52	32	-5	0	+0	0.00	-0.41	0	1.03	-1.35	43	10	
SOUTHEAST														
Lake Bryan Rice.....	27	57	37	-1	0	+0	0.00	-0.53	0	0.87	-2.38	27	12	
Pasco.....	20	55	34	-8	0	-2	0.00	-0.25	0	0.81	-0.84	49	8	
Pullman.....	21	53	37	-1	0	+0	0.02	-0.67	2	1.31	-2.70	33	20	
Richland.....	22	58	36	-5	0	-2	0.00	-0.25	0	0.88	-0.77	53	9	
Silcott Island.....	28	56	39	+1	0	+0	0.00	-0.53	0	0.63	-2.62	19	12	
Walla Walla.....	25	54	35	-7	0	-6	0.00	-0.68	0	2.29	-1.88	55	16	
Whitman Mission.....	20	51	34	-7	0	-3	0.00	-0.39	0	1.89	-0.89	68	13	

Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 11/18/18

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged.....	87	85	96	91
Sugarbeets harvested.....	99	90	100	(NA)
Field corn harvested for grain.....	80	76	91	83

(NA) Not available.

Weekly Weather Statistics — Oregon: November 12 - November 18, 2018

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation				
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days	
					Total	DFN								
COASTAL AREAS														
Astoria	32	57	46	+0	1	-6	0.32	-2.38	2	12.02	-2.44	83	38	
Bandon	33	67	48	-2	6	-8	0.02	-2.05	2	3.35	-6.82	33	26	
Florence	34	61	47	+0	2	-5	0.05	-3.26	2	6.31	-9.37	40	27	
North Bend.....	39	64	46	-3	2	-6	0.00	-2.42	0	3.79	-8.21	32	26	
Tillamook	32	66	50	+3	17	+10	0.15	-3.20	2	6.43	-11.28	36	34	
WILLAMETTE VALLEY														
Aurora.....	30	61	46	+0	4	-3	0.00	-1.55	0	4.42	-4.29	51	26	
Corvallis	29	61	45	+0	3	-1	0.00	-1.64	0	3.14	-4.99	39	24	
Detroit Lake	28	60	41	-2	0	+0	0.01	-3.43	1	10.63	-7.10	60	27	
Eugene	26	62	41	-4	0	-6	0.00	-1.84	0	2.06	-6.72	23	20	
Hillsboro.....	27	58	42	-3	1	+0	0.00	-1.46	0	4.42	-3.93	53	28	
McMinnville.....	29	59	43	-2	4	+0	0.00	-1.51	0	4.78	-3.44	58	27	
Portland	38	57	45	-1	0	-7	0.04	-1.62	1	4.83	-4.10	54	25	
Salem	30	63	44	-2	0	-7	0.01	-1.53	1	2.49	-5.43	31	23	
SOUTHWESTERN VALLEYS														
Grants Pass	24	61	42	-3	0	-5	0.00	-1.17	0	1.00	-4.29	19	11	
Medford	28	66	43	-2	0	-4	0.00	-0.71	0	0.83	-2.52	25	11	
Roseburg.....	28	61	43	-5	0	-9	0.03	-1.21	3	2.32	-3.74	38	26	
NORTH CENTRAL														
Arlington	22	54	38	-4	0	+0	0.00	-0.28	0	0.82	-0.97	46	8	
Echo	15	55	34	-7	0	+0	0.00	-0.29	0	1.39	-0.61	70	10	
Heppner	19	61	37	-5	0	-1	0.00	-0.39	0	2.23	-0.44	84	8	
Hermiston	14	54	36	-4	0	+0	0.00	-0.29	0	1.31	-0.69	65	10	
Madras.....	16	58	35	-5	0	+0	0.00	-0.32	0	0.33	-1.80	15	10	
Moro	15	60	38	-1	0	+0	0.00	-0.38	0	1.12	-1.29	46	8	
Parkdale	24	61	36	-4	0	+0	0.00	-1.45	0	3.41	-3.55	49	20	
Pendleton	21	60	36	-7	0	-2	0.00	-0.47	0	2.30	-0.66	78	12	
Prairie City	13	58	34	-5	0	+0	0.00	-0.31	0	2.57	+0.14	106	26	
The Dalles	23	55	39	-4	0	+0	0.00	-0.46	0	1.01	-1.47	41	15	
SOUTH CENTRAL														
Agency Lake	19	63	35	-1	0	+0	0.01	-0.68	1	0.87	-2.58	25	13	
Bend	16	62	38	+0	0	+0	0.00	-0.31	0	0.16	-1.57	9	8	
Burns	2	56	29	-5	0	+0	0.00	-0.27	0	0.39	-1.49	21	9	
Christmas Valley	2	62	29	-7	0	+0	0.01	-0.21	1	1.08	-0.67	62	10	
Klamath Falls	12	60	35	-4	0	+0	0.04	-0.37	2	1.17	-1.17	50	27	
Lakeview.....	12	61	34	-2	0	+0	0.00	-0.43	0	0.78	-1.82	30	8	
Lorella.....	5	63	30	-7	0	+0	0.00	-0.30	0	0.72	-1.55	32	9	
Redmond	14	61	35	-2	0	+0	0.00	-0.22	0	0.33	-1.28	20	9	
Worden.....	6	62	33	-6	0	+0	0.01	-0.40	1	0.77	-1.57	33	11	
NORTHEAST														
Baker City	10	54	30	-3	0	+0	0.00	-0.21	0	0.66	-1.05	39	7	
Imbler.....	16	57	36	-2	0	+0	0.00	-0.76	0	3.05	-1.24	71	23	
La Grande.....	19	51	36	-2	0	+0	0.00	-0.48	0	3.08	-0.08	97	17	
SOUTHEAST														
Ontario	17	54	33	-4	0	+0	0.01	-0.24	1	0.95	-0.71	57	8	
Rome.....	10	58	30	-6	0	+0	0.00	-0.10	0	0.67	-0.86	44	6	

Summary based on NOAA Regional Climate Centers (RCCs) data.
Season cumulative precipitation starts: September 1.
DFN = Departure from normal.
NA = Data not available.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.
Precipitation days= Days with precipitation of 0.01 inch or more.
Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit.
Normals period 1981-2010 used in DFN calculations.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 11/18/18

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Winter wheat emerged.....	74	60	79	78
Field corn harvested for grain	87	81	90	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

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